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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

ATTN: BOX AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Request for Reconsideration is being filed in response to the Office Action dated June 14, 2001.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-30 are all the claims pending in the application.

In the Office Action dated June 14, 2001, the Examiner did not repeat the claim objections or rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112 of the previous Office Action dated December 19, 2001, nor did the Examiner indicate that the objections and rejections were officially withdrawn. Applicants presume however, that the objections and rejections of the previous Office Action not repeated in the outstanding Office Action were withdrawn by the Examiner.

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